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1960-65 Falcon/Comet Manual Steering Conversion: 6 Cylinder to V-8

The main reason to convert the steering and front end components is to upgrade to V-8 brakes, whether disc or drums. The majority of people making this conversion want to use the 1974-79 Granada disc brakes. This article will not go into all of the options and pros and cons of different braking systems at this time, only to get the necessary steering components in place so that you will be able to attach the spindles and brakes of your choice.

1960-62:

The early Falcons have their own set of circumstances that must first be dealt with. The ball joint studs on these early cars are too small to accept the later spindles. It is recommended that both the upper and lower control arms be changed. The 1963-65 Falcons/Comets do not have this problem and the ball joints should only be replaced if they are worn out.

1960-65:

Ford did some strange things in the production of these cars and subsequent owners may have done some even stranger things. For this article it is assumed that if you have a 6 cylinder Falcon/Comet

produced between 1960-65, it has a 1" sector shaft in the steering gear box. You can verify this fact very easily. If a 1 1/8" socket will fit on the nut that retains the pitman arm to the sector shaft, then you have a 1" sector shaft. If it takes a larger socket, then you have a 1 1/8" sector shaft and someone has probably changed the steering box.

The main ingredient to the steering conversion is the center link. The only product that will fit correctly must come from a 1963-64 or 1965 V-8 Ford Falcon/Comet. The 1963-64 and the 1965 center link are completely different and cannot be interchanged. The 1965 V-8 center link is recommended for several reasons. The first reason is that the 1965 center link is reproduced and readily available. The second reason is cost, not the cost of a used 1963-64 manual steering center link versus a the cost of a new 1965 manual steering center link, but rather the cost of the attaching parts. If replacement parts are ever needed, it is much less expensive to use the 1965 parts.

PART DESCRIPTION	1963-1964 PART #	1963-1964 PRICE	1965 PART #	1965 PRICE
Center Link	Part is Not Available	Part is Not Available	C5DZ-3304-A	\$150.00
Inner Tie Rod	C3DZ-3A130-H	\$75.00 ea.x 2	C5ZZ-3A130-D	\$28.00 ea.x 2
Outer Tie Rod	C3DZ-3A130-G	\$65.00 ea.x 2	C5ZZ-3A130-C	\$20.15 ea.x 2
Idler Arm	C3DZ-33 52-KR	\$138.00	C5ZZ-3352-A	\$47.75
Idler Arm Bracket	Included in above	Included in above	C3DZ-335i-A	\$32.95
Tie Rod Adjusting Sleeve	C2AA-33 10-B	\$ 9.50 ea.x 2	C2AA-33 10-B	\$9.50 ea.x 2
Pitman Arm	Part is Not Available	Part is Not Available	C5ZZ-3590-A	\$64.95
Total Price to Convert		\$437.00		\$410.95

Note: You would only use these tie rod ends if you would be using 1965 Falcon/Comet V-8 Spindles. If you are using the Granada or some other disc brake set up, you will have to purchase the correct tie rod ends for those spindles.

http://www.falconparts.com/Manual_Steering_Conversion.htm

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Chris & Kerry Henry
Fullerton, California

1965 Falcon Futura Convertible



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Cover—Chris & Kerry Henry

Chris Henry of Fullerton, California restored this 1965 Falcon Futura Convertible for a getaway car for his wedding day. See more of this Falcon and his story beginning on page 4.



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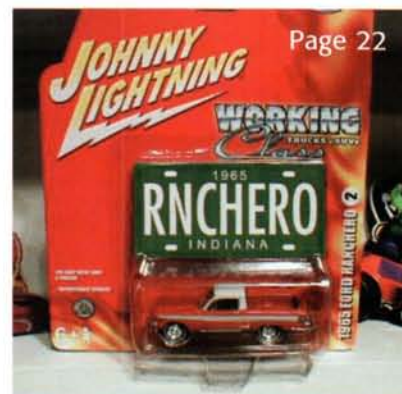
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Do you have a photo of your Falcon for the cover of The Falcon National News?
Send your Falcon stories and photos for the National Falcon News to the Editor
at the address on page 19.



Photos are from the Hutchinson, Kansas Rest Stop for the Falcon Migration. Rest Stop went very well— all windshields were washed. No mechanical problems to report, except one air conditioner belt and it was replaced on Saturday. Cliff McKay joined the group headed West to Dodge City, Kansas. All ten cars left and were relieved to find that they were over halfway there (at least those from Maryland).

—Tim & Rhiannon Sutherland

The Migration's effort to support the My Stuff Bags Foundation led to a picture spread on their website. Go to www.mystuffbags.org and click on "My Stuff Friends." Then click on "Wonderful Donors," go to the bottom of the page and click on "More Wonderful Donors" and there we all are! Thanks again for everybody's efforts!

—Mike Garrett

The cruise to the National Meet in California, from one end of our great country to the other, by a group of your fellow Falcon lovers, displayed the great spirit of the Falcon Club of America. It is truly representative of what makes your car club more than just a car club.

One member, Mike Garrett, with his family's support, including wife, Pilar, his parents, children and grandchildren had the idea; then planned and executed this event—all from love for the Falcon, the Falcon Club, and their friends in the club. He worked with hotels, restaurants, and other establishments for support in making this a fun and exciting journey for all.

Not only did everyone who participated have a great time—the My Stuff Bags Foundation benefited as well. This organization is dedicated to abused and neglected children. Participants in the Migration were asked to donate a stuffed animal or make a monetary donation in support of this charity.

Carol and I were really "wowed" by this group of Falcon lovers. It was truly a subset of the Falcon Club of America. Some drove Falcons, most without air, some drove newer cars, and one trailored their Falcon (not to mention any names, Cliff). At the heart of the journey was the common bond of the Falcon. It was an opportunity for people to enjoy each other's company and bond.

A special "thank you" goes out to Mike and Pilar Garrett for putting the cruise together and to all who participated in this great success!

Now that it's time to start thinking about the next National meet, anybody have plans for cruising to Indianapolis next year?

Happy Halloween!

Steve & Carol

Editor's Note: Katrina & the FCA

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, we send our very best thoughts and hopes for all FCA members, and everyone else, who was in the path of the storm. We are so thankful that Bonnie and Mary, our Club Store Managers, are safe in Waveland, Mississippi and their house is still standing—although it was flooded with about a foot of water. Please be patient if you have ordered from the Club Store, some merchandise was damaged and Post Office Service has been disrupted and will be sporadic.

If you wish to make a donation specifically for Bonnie Stringer and Mary Biehl, please send a check made out to them, to the Editor at my address on page 19. I will make sure it gets to them or their bank. Thanks to all in the FCA family for your support!

—Wendy

Chris and Kerry Henry's "Getaway Falcon"

Chris Henry of Fullerton, California and his fiancé Kerry fell in love with this 1965 Falcon Futura convertible they had seen and admired at a used car lot. Unbeknownst to his fiancé, he bought the Falcon to use as the getaway car for their upcoming wedding.

For the next six weeks, Chris stayed late at work almost every night restoring the car for the wedding day. He writes, "My wife may have thought I was having cold feet, but instead I was preparing the car for its grand unveiling."

Meanwhile, Kerry had also planned for a special getaway of her own by renting a 1932 Ford stretch limousine. Once they were married on July 20, 2002, there were two cars, two drivers, and two doors open that night, —guess which one they took. Chris says, "We drove off into the sunset Kerry, me, and the Falcon."

"We take the car to lots of shows, and have even won a few trophies. Along the way, we have met many great people. The Futura is Honey Gold with Honey Gold interior, a 289 engine and Holley 650. It has headers, American Racing wheels, clock on dash upgrade when ordered originally, AM radio, as well as a matching golf bag. All the knobs are chrome with warning lights in red and clear under the arm rests.

I found it with no holes or rust along with the original spare tire, dated 1964. I also have the original wheels and upgrade spinner caps for when we feel like dressing down.

We like to take our Falcon to the beach and cruise down the Pacific Coast Highway, always getting thumbs up. It makes us feel like stars!





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1961 Falcon Sedans Small and Large Meet at 2004 Kansas City Nationals

In January 2003, Michael Alvord found a pedal car on eBay. The Alvords talked it over and soon the deal was made, and the pedal car came home to Lake Travis, Texas. Parts for completion were purchased from Allen Wilson of Cowboys and Kidillacs in Kingsville, Texas.

Liz Alvord then contacted Phil Barber, Tech Advisor for 1961 through the Falcon News. Phil also has a 1961 Falcon in a color that Liz and Michael liked. After consulting with Phil and getting a copy of the 1961 Dealers brochure, and pictures of Phil's car, they were ready to proceed with restoration. A deal was made with Brian and Steve of Austin Corvette to do their magic with the body and paint work.

After so many years of neglect and many amateur repaints, the little pedal car needed a lot of attention, much like a full sized Falcon would. It had so many old layers of paint that they hadn't realized it had grooves for the doors, hood, and cowl—it even had door handles! As can be seen in the "Before" photos, a great deal of work was required.

After all the searching for parts, some great body and fender work, along with many anxious moments, and a couple thousand dollars, the little pedal car debuted at the 2003 Nationals in Texas. It was an instant hit! After this event a correct year-of-make license plate was found, a display case made, and it was off to Hot Springs for a Regional Meet, where the pedal car was used as a banquet centerpiece. In October of 2004, at the Arkansas Regional Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Founder's Chapter in Hot Springs, the little pedal car was awarded the "Ladies Choice" trophy, selected from a field of 78 show cars! After all, it was registered in class!

Liz and Michael say that you're sure to be seeing their car around the show circuit in the future—one great benefit is that it requires just 30 minutes to wash and wax for an upcoming show. As seen in the before and after restoration pictures, this is a real showpiece.

At the July 2004 25th National Meet in Kansas City, the pedal car and its big brother (Phil Barber's full size Falcon) finally got a chance to meet. Phil looked up the Alvords on the first day of the show and the two "brothers" were brought together for a photo shoot. The cars are amazingly similar in color and look good together. It was a very fun meeting for all concerned—best summed up as another great Falcon club achievement by some of our clever and innovative members.

Perhaps when we get a few more pedal cars on board we'll need a special class for them at National and Regional meets! And please remember to keep it fun and lighthearted and not to take everything quite so seriously, as some of us tend to do!

*—Submitted by the Alvord family, Lake Travis, Texas and
Phil Barber, Annapolis, Maryland*



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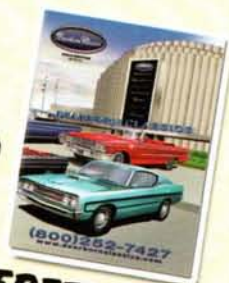
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1965 Ranchero Deluxe. 289, A/T, P/S, A/C, SS wheels w/red line radials. FoMoCo bed rails, Protecto top cover, fender skirts, dual Magnaflo exhausts, dual master cylinder, 2 1/2" drims. Wimbledon White, Palomino interior. Extra parts. Excellent running condition. Older restoration. \$7500. Gaines Adcock, 408-265-9597 or gainesadco@aol.com. CA.

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Looking for a 1965 2 door Futura or 1965 Falcon Futura station wagon. Something driveable that needs work. Michael Murphy, 716-883-3689 or newyork5501@yahoo.com.

WANTED: 1968 Falcon two door sedan in good condition or Falcon station wagon, any year. Shirley Miller, 610-367-9117. PA.

Parts Wanted

Wanted: Radio for a 1961 Falcon Sedan, or information about where I could have one repaired. Morris S Williams, P.O. Box 30083, Lumberton, TX 77657, 409-755-6475 or mwilliams3@gt.rr.com.

Parts needed: Rear axle for 1963 Futura V-8. Must not be any wider than 56" from outside of drum to outside of drum or narrower than 48" from inside to inside. Prefer 9" rear or 8½" with street gears and 5 lug drums or discs. Roger Jaeger, 402-657-6536 or rogerjaeger@cox.net. NE.

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Two Year Falcon Search...

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y first encounter with a Falcon was back in 1968 when my dad bought a used 1963 Falcon two door hardtop with a 6 cylinder engine and bronze color paint.

I drove that car all the time—it seemed to run forever on a couple dollars worth of gas, but of course

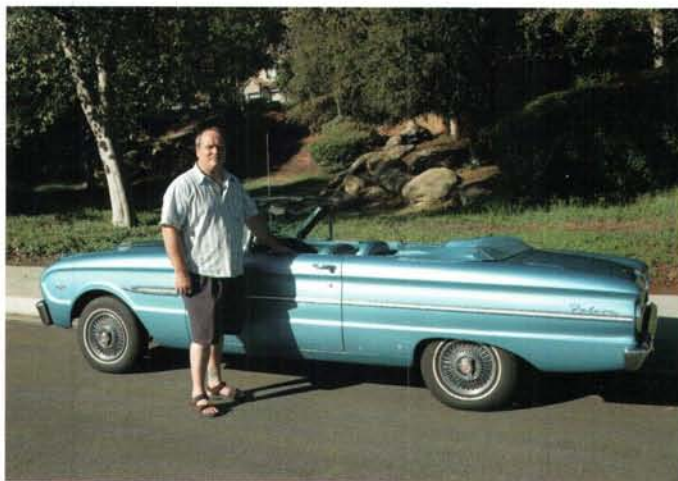
gas was only twenty to twenty five cents a gallon.

I did discover that you should not put a Chevy V-8 engine in the trunk for transporting, it seems the weight bears down on the transmission line and causes a circulating problem of the fluid. Anyway, after my dad had the transmission rebuilt, all was well again. Maybe I should have told him what I did—NAH!

Some 37 years later, I decided to look for another Falcon, specifically the 1963, because of the fond memo-

By Jim Saltis, Riverside, California

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Worth the Wait!



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Classified Ads (con't)

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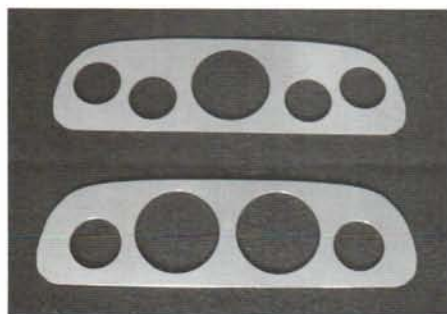


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Two Year Falcon Search

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ries of my dad's car. This time I wanted a California convertible.

I set out looking in all the classic car trader photo adds, car shows and eBay, but every time I found a promising lead I was told it had been sold. I was beginning to think that after almost two years of searching for my dream car it would remain a dream.

Just when I was about ready to give up looking, I saw an ad with a black and white picture of this 1963 Falcon Futura convertible for sale in Oroville, California. It had a factory 260 V-8, two speed Ford-O-Matic transmission and was blue with blue two-tone interior.

WOW! I said to myself, this can't still be for sale, but I had to make the call—just in case. When the owner answered the phone, I asked if the Falcon was still for sale and he replied yes. My heart stopped for a few moments. I asked about the details in the ad and if he could send some pictures via email as soon as possible.

When I saw the first pictures online I just said "Sold I'll take it." And the rest, as they say, is history. I live in

Riverside, California and the Falcon was in Oroville, ten hours away, just outside the Sacramento area. As it turns out, the 1963 was built at the Lorain plant in San Jose in early 1962, so it has always been close to home.

After making arrangements with the owner, I flew up the following week to drive the car and finalize the sale I had been thinking about for the last two years. As it turned out, the wait was worth it.

I could hardly believe the Falcon was in such good original condition: paint color; Viking Blue, interior; two tone Blue Metallic, Powertrain 260 V-8, with two speed Ford-O-Matic transmission.

I really could not be sure if the 1963 was all original until I ran the door plate numbers with a VIN decoder, which confirmed that what I was seeing was true. My long search had finally come to an end.

The now previous owner, Steve, was the second owner and had kept the Falcon garaged for most of the 25



Jim Saltis' 1963 Futura Convertible

years he had owned it, except for when his daughter used it going to college.

After college, the daughter returned the car to her dad and Steve and his wife started to slowly restore it. Years later, they decided to finally part with it.

I had the Falcon transported to its new home by truck because I thought the ten hour drive in a car I had no history with yet was not a good idea.

The transport took several days but seemed more like weeks because of the thought of the Falcon sitting in those truck stops and on the road.

The very first local car show was only a few days away from the delivery date and I could hardly wait to show my new car off. I did not expect to win any of the categories in the show, since the Falcon still needed some work. Much to my surprise, she won best restored original, which topped off my adventure.

I have since installed a new convertible top and complete NOS interior, new brakes, wheel cylinders, horns, restored AM radio, new Winston white wall 13" tires and wire spoke spinner hub caps.

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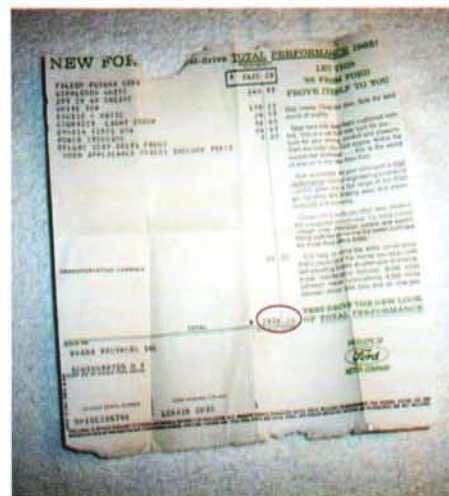
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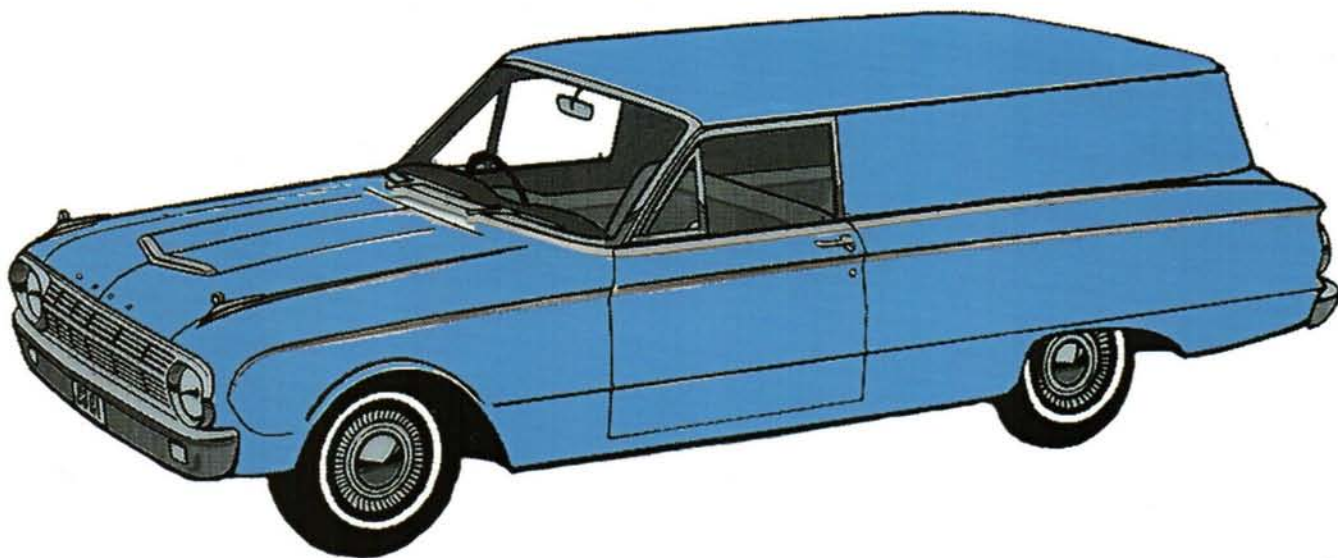




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However, they weren't exactly correct in their depiction; his Sedan is a 1965 and their model was a 1964. They have also made two other Sedan Delivery series: *The Saturday Evening Post*, featuring Norman Rockwell prints, and a Coca Cola International Series. In addition, they made a 1965 Ranchero called "Working Class SUVs and Trucks."

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—Submitted by Dale Daugherty, Bluegrass Chapter President



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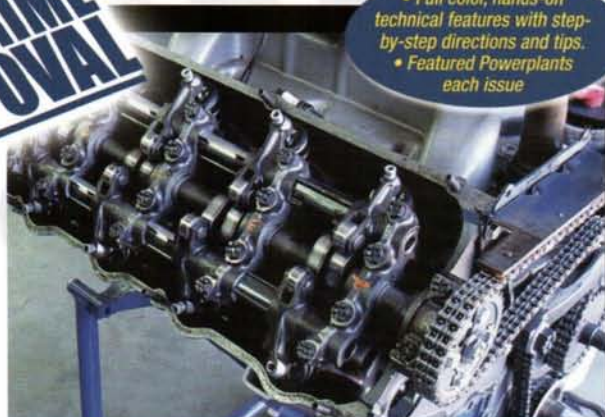
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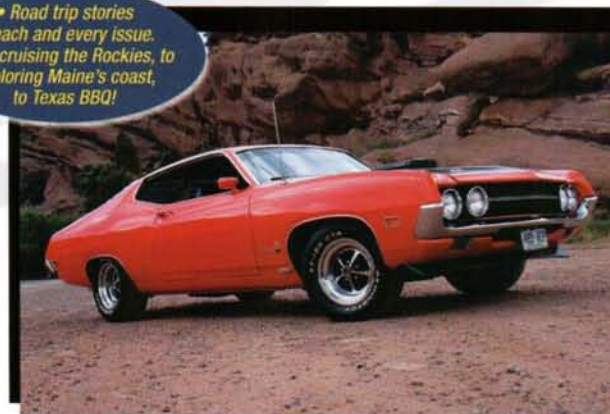
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